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SHEET AND SYSTEM FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES**

described and claimed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States having Serial No. 10/032,805, and a Filing Date of 28 December 2001; that we do not know and do not believe that this invention was ever known or used in the United States before our invention or discovery thereof; that to the best of our knowledge and belief the invention has not been in public use or on sale in the United States more than one year prior to our application, or patented or made the subject of an inventors' certificate in any foreign country prior to the date of our application or an application filed by ourselves or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to our application in this country; that we acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56(a); and that no application for patent or inventors' certificate on this invention or discovery has been filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States, except as follows:

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**PETITION**

Wherefore we Pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the specification and claims of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/032,805, and we hereby subscribe our names to the specification and claims of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/032,805, Declaration, Power of Attorney and this Petition.

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OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION**DECLARATION**

The undersigned further declare that all statements made herein of their knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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